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Mr. Orlando Monaco
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Re: Warminster Naval Air Development
Center NPL Site
Record of Decision, Operable Unit 10
Letter of Concurrence
Warminster Township
Bucks County

Dear Mr. Monaco:

The Record of Decision (ROD) dated September 2000 for Operable Unit 10 (OU - 10), which pertains to soils and waste at Site 5, and surface water and sediment potentially impacted by Area B, Warminster Naval Air Development Center (the Site), has been reviewed by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Department of Environmental Protection (Department).

The selected remedy for the Site includes the following major components, as specified in the selected remedy of the ROD:

1. This ROD pertains to the soils and waste at Site 5 and surface water and sediment potentially impacted by Area B, one of several Areas of Concern (AOCs) at the Site, which have been investigated during the last several years.
2. Site 5 is located in the enlisted family housing area that will be retained by the Navy and transferred for use by Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Basin Willow Grove. It was reported as a disposal area. The Remedial Investigation/Risk Assessment (RI/RA) found no risks to human health or the environment in excess of EPA guidelines associated with the soils or wastes at Site 5.
3. Area B is the larger section of the Site that includes Sites 5, 6, and 7. Area B groundwater was addressed in the ROD for OU - 1B, signed in September 2000, and the soils and wastes associated with Sites 6 and 7 were addressed in the ROD for OU - 7, signed in June 2000.



4. The RI/RA found no risks to human health exceeding EPA guidelines for the surface water and sediment potentially affected by Area B. It reported low to moderate ecological risks, but also found that it was not possible to separate risks potentially related to Site sources from those associated with off Site sources.
5. Since there have been recent remedial actions taken at OU – 7, further sampling will be done to assure that that remedy has mitigated any potential Site related risk to the surface water or sediment.
6. The alternative the Navy has selected for this Site is a “No Action” alternative.

The Department hereby concurs with the remedy selected for the Warminster Naval Air Development Center NPL Site OU - 10 for the following reasons and with the following conditions:

Pennsylvania's Land Recycling and Environmental Remediation Standards Act, Act 2 of 1995, 35 P.S. Sections 6026.101 – 6029.909 (“Act2”), Pennsylvania's Solid Waste Management Act, Act 97 of 1980, as amended, 35 P.S. Section 6018.101 et seq. (“Act 97”), and the regulations adopted pursuant to these statutes are ARARs for this response. Implementation of any component or components of this response will not necessarily result in protection from liability pursuant to Act 2, for any party.

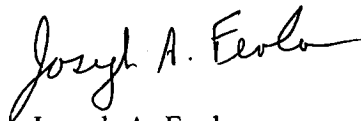
This concurrence with the selected remedial actions is not intended to provide any assurance pursuant to CERCLA Section 104(c)(3), 42 U.S.C. Section 9604(c)(3).

The Department reserves its rights and responsibilities to take independent enforcement actions pursuant to state and federal law.

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This letter documents the Department's concurrence with the remedies selected by EPA in the ROD for OU - 5 for the Warminster Naval Air Development Center NPL Site. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me at the above telephone number.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Joseph A. Feola". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Joseph" and last name "Feola" clearly legible.

Joseph A. Feola
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